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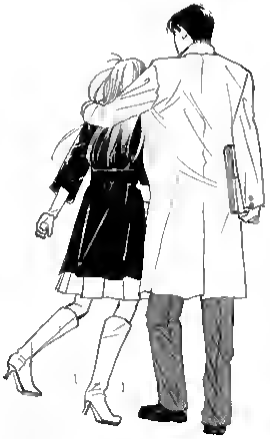

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The first of my very own Seven Wonders
"What do you mean I can't buy that must-have item?!"

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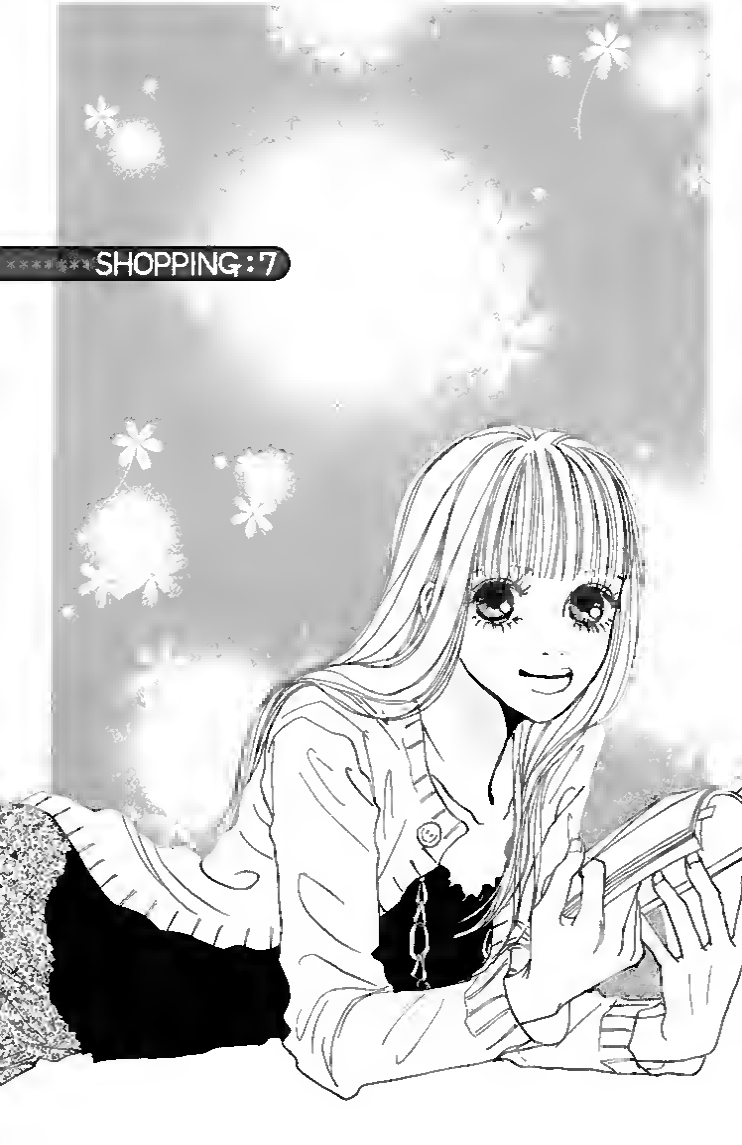

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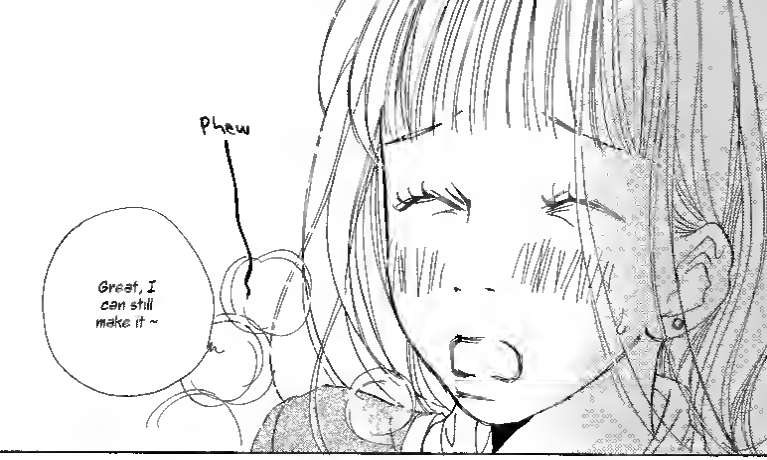
South Wing

Arisugawa?
Yes...?
rrrrrrring
ring
rrrrring
Okuzono-san... What is it...?
Today's Saturday.
Where are you right now?
Huh——?
sits up
WH-WHAT TIME IS IT?!
Don't tell me you're still sleeping.
You were supposed to meet me thirty minutes ago!

THUNK
THUMP THUMP THUMP
PANIC
thump
thump
thump
CLICK
FUU?!
I OVER-SLEPT!
AWAWAWA
Why are you still here?
Don't you have a business trip today?
WH-WH-WHAT AM I GONNA DO?! I LEFT MY BAG AT MY HOUSE LAST NIGHT!
OH NO, LESS THAN FORTY MINUTES 'TIL THE PLANE TAKES OFF!
THERE'S NO WAY I CAN MAKE IT IF I TAKE THE MONORAIL..
Calm down, Fuu!
It's faster if you take a taxi
thump
thump
thump

TAXI!
Traffic's not too bad, thirty maybe twenty minutes
When is your flight?
SLAM
Top speed to Haneda Airport!
How long will it take us?
Twenty minutes... so close...
Slump
That's city living for you



this became the long-awaited trip to Osaka.

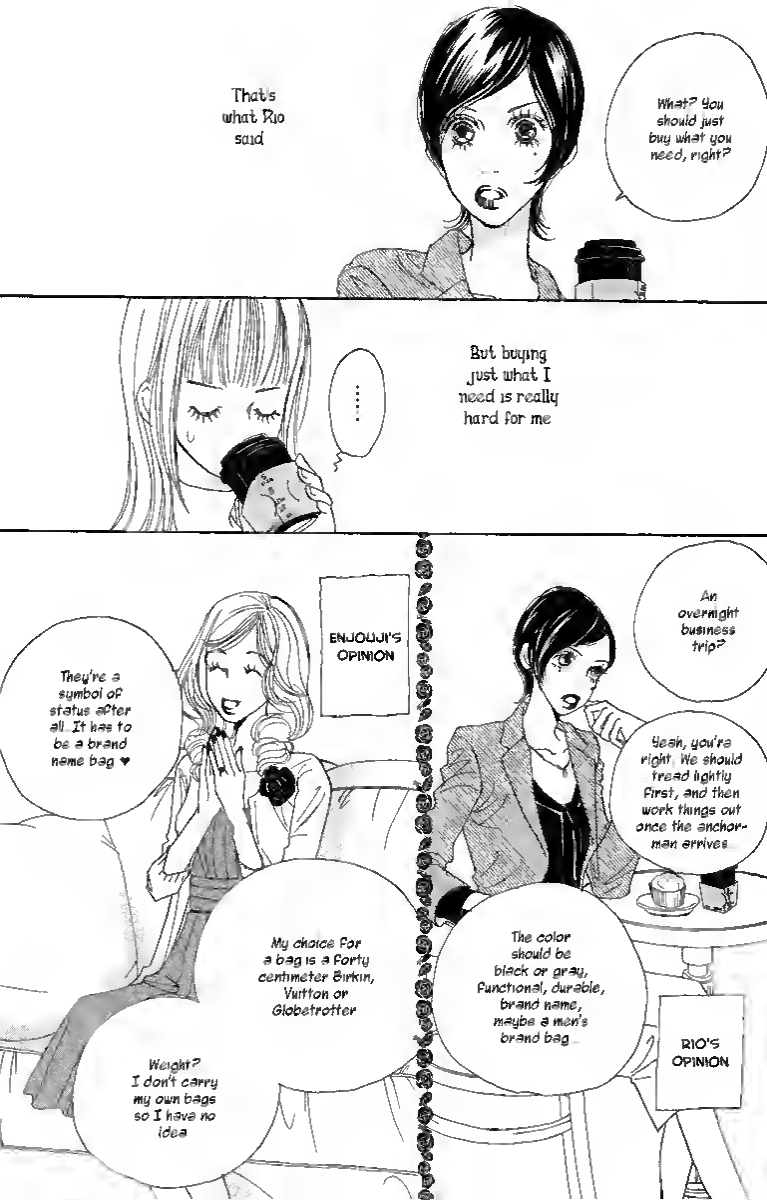
Since I never go on business trips in general,

I've got a mountain of bags

It's only for one night, but it's better to bring a bigger one on a business trip. Plus, I don't have a good overnight bag.

The most practical clothes to have would be something easy to coordinate

When I see something I want, I buy it


That's what Rio said
What? You should just buy what you need, right?
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But buying just what I need is really hard for me
An overnight business trip?
Yeah, you're right. We should tread lightly first, and then work things out once the anchorman arrives
RIO'S OPINION
The color should be black or gray, functional, durable, brand name, maybe a men's brand bag
ENJOUJI'S OPINION
They're a symbol of status after all. It has to be a brand name bag ♥
My choice for a bag is a Forty centimeter Birkin, Vuitton or Globetrotter
Weight? I don't carry my own bags so I have no idea

It's rare for you to have an overnight business trip.
Yeah
You're working as an assistant overnight? How about a cute, colorful LeSportsac or a Herve Chapelier?
The bag expands when you fill it. Isn't it great?
It's got a shoulder strap and an outside pocket, making it very convenient to use.
MIZUHO'S OPINION
This business trip is for a really big project, so I decided I have to look sharp.
I don't want them to take me lightly just because I'm a young woman. I want to be careful when wearing a suit for once and my bag has to be just right.
I can bring this large luggage, but it seems a bit much.
This Boston bag is too small.
Argh! How did I spend the whole night prepping for a measly overnight trip?!

It's nothing spectacular, just a business hotel
That stuff's no good
But the hotel probably has amenities already, like pajamas and stuff
If I wear a yukata, I'll toss and turn so I'm bringing my own sleepwear.
I should bring a business meeting suit, right?
And a change of clothes and underwear.
If I don't bring a hairdryer, I won't be able to get my hair straight
Cosmetics should have one bag, right?
Hair care products also go in one bag
Of course! Here are my work materials!
My laptop, sample books, a bunch of other things...
Shift
Do you have to bring so much?
But... What about work stuff...?

Hey, what are the both of you up to in Fuu's room?
A suit is appropriate and makes me look smart, but isn't there a cute and fashionable bag to go with it?!
I-I'd better get back to work...
Enjouji, save me!
(cries)
Huh?
What's it?
From a specialty shop, the magnificent Enjouji
lent me this year's newest black Prada bag
PRADA
MILANO
Thank you, Enjouji
It's from my aunt in Milano, but it's not really my taste I haven't even used it once
If you like it, please use it

That was all yesterday night. After that, I stuffed my luggage and it became morning.
I'd meant to stay awake until the departure time since I had overslept but I ended up falling asleep again.
HONK

Um, where ?
J.A.L.?
slides
ARISUGAWA!

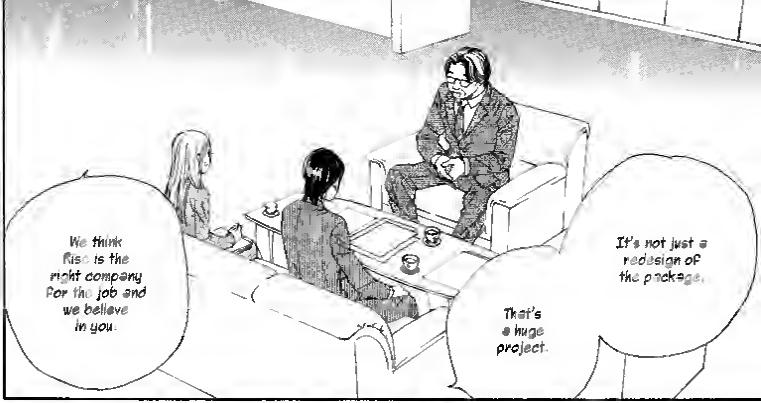
OKUZONO-SAN!
C
C2
RUN!
JAL Flight 150x Osaka-bound, 9:35 departure. Final boarding call
Uh oh, they're calling for us! \
Passengers Okuzono Shinji and Arisugawa Fuu, please make your way to the gate immediately.
STEP
STEP

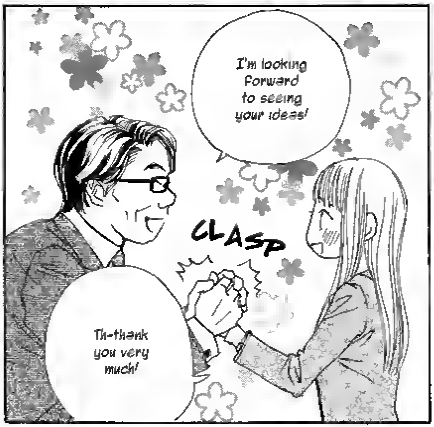
PING
whoosh
haa haa
Wheeze
M-made it in time

Different flight?
Oh right, he hurt his back so he's not attending this trip
Eh, um By the way, where's Shibuya-san?
It's okay, we made it after all
I am so sorry! I wouldn't have made it if you hadn't called me
HE HURT HIS BACK?!
It's okay this time.
We're not at the final design stage anyway.
B-but is it okay for him to not be there since he's the lead designer?
He's had back problems for a while, though.
I got a call from him this morning and it seems like he can't really move much.
In any case, it was the client who requested that we come and meet them at their headquarters.
EXIT
EXIT

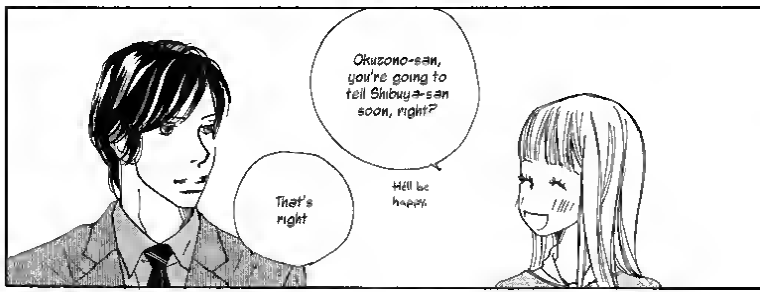
Is that so...?
Even if you're the only project designer there, it won't hurt for you to say hello
It's good for us. The client's president and development section are interested in you
Nothing...
Yeah, what of it?
So this time, it's just the two of us?
.....
It's not like I want it to be just the two of us.
Since it's for work, I can't do anything about this situation

Is it okay if I take Okuzono-san?
Is it okay?
If I say otherwise, what will I do about our living arrangements?
Excuse me? You're going to leave all matters regarding the name change and corporate identity of the company to us?


We think Rise is the right company for the job and we believe in you.
That's a huge project.
It's not just a redesign of the package.


I'm looking forward to seeing your ideas!
CLASP
Th-thank you very much!

haha haha
You've already designed a couple of winners for us
If Arisugawa-san and Shibuya-san do the work, we feel confident in leaving it to you


Okuzono-san, you're going to tell Shibuya-san soon, right?
That's right
He'll be happy.

Well, this time you've traveled far on our behalf. We really appreciate it.
This is my first time eating whale
It's really tender and tastes good!
On this next project, please take care of us
You're spending the night, aren't you? This restaurant's vinegar daikon nabe is really delicious
Please take care of us as well

Gulp Gulp
No, I'd like a drink
Munch
clasp
Arisugawa-san, can you hold your booze or are you a weak drinker?
IT TASTES GREAT!
phew—
Wahahaha
More beer, please!
You certainly can drink!
Grab
Wow, they're huge mugs
CLUNK
CLUNK

GULP
Itadakimasu
Okuzono-san, that's no good.
Slam
He downed it
Bring more beer, please!
He stole it...
My... my beer.
And what's with that happy face?

Ah, the hotel we reserved is within walking distance from here.
Well, we'll be leaving
What hotel are you two staying at?
We'll be in touch the day after tomorrow.
If you'll excuse us.

Vrooomm...

WH-WHAT? OKUZONO-SAN?! WHAT HAPPENED?
.....
blech
Ha
I
It's really great that they're having us redesign the corporate image. It's my first time working on such a big project.
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THUMP
This is bad
Actually, I can't really drink alcohol
What?! And you still drank that much?!
You even stole my beer and drank on my lunch?!

A-are you okay?
Can you walk?
Um, which station is closest to the hotel? Which one was it again?
stagger
Yeah, I'm okay... What the heck

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Okitono-
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*NOTE: 178cm = 5'10"

Tokyo Alice Volume 2
Sorry you had to wait so long!
How have you been, everyone?
This is Toriko Chiyo.

One year, one volume... It's a slow-paced Alice, but please take care of me again in the future. This volume has a lot of Okuzono-san. Okuzono-san is a fun character to draw. He's pretty mysterious, and even though I'm in the middle of the story, there's still a lot I don't know about him. In the beginning, he was going to have short hair. Lately, it seems like salarymen have longer hair so Okuzono-san is influenced by the media and has a more modern hairstyle. He and Fuu are getting closer (laughs). Please look forward to the third volume!! Okuzono-san is also popular with my assistants. He has a scary face so you might think he's a scary guy. Maybe he was just staring off into space? Probably (laughs).